AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Previously presented) An internal combustion engine aftertreatment system for treating exhaust gases exiting an engine, the system comprising:

a sulfur trap having a sulfur trap input operatively coupled to the engine exhaust and having a sulfur trap output;

a catalytic soot filter having a soot filter input operatively coupled to the sulfur trap output and having a soot filter output;

a valve system having a valve input operatively coupled to the soot filter output, a first valve output and having a second valve output;

an NOx adsorber having an adsorber input operatively coupled to the first valve output and having an adsorber output;

a bypass pathway having a bypass input operatively coupled to the second valve output and having a bypass output operatively coupled to the adsorber output; and

a diesel oxidation catalyst having a DOC input operatively coupled to the adsorber output and to the bypass output and having a DOC output.

2. (Previously presented) An internal combustion engine aftertreatment system for treating exhaust gases exiting an engine, the system comprising:

a valve system having a valve input operatively coupled to the engine exhaust, a first valve output and having a second valve output;

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an adsorber having an adsorber input operatively coupled to the first valve output and having an adsorber output;

a bypass pathway having a bypass input operatively coupled to the second valve output and having a bypass output operatively coupled to the adsorber output;

a sulfur trap having a sulfur trap input operatively coupled to the engine exhaust and having a sulfur trap output operatively coupled to the valve system input; and

a catalytic soot filter having a soot filter input operatively coupled to the sulfur trap output and having a soot filter output operatively coupled to the valve system input.

- 3. (Cancelled)
- 4. (Cancelled)
- 5. (Original) The system of claim 2, further comprising:

a diesel oxidation catalyst having a DOC input operatively coupled to the adsorber output and to the bypass output and having a DOC output.

- 6. (Original) The system of claim 2, further comprising:
 - a supply of fuel;
 - a pump having a pump inlet operatively coupled to the supply of fuel and having a pump outlet;
 - a fuel injector having an injector input operatively coupled to the pump outlet and having an injector output operatively coupled to the adsorber input.

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- (Original) The system of claim 6, further comprising:
 an igniter operatively coupled to the adsorber input.
- 8. (Original) The system of claim 2, further comprising:

a temperature and lamda sensor having a sensor input operatively coupled to the valve system input.

9. (Original) The system of claim 2, further comprising:

an NOx sensor having an NOx sensor input operatively coupled to the adsorber output.

- 10. (Original) The system of claim 2, wherein the valve system comprises a proportional control 3-way valve.
- 11. (Currently Amended) An internal combustion engine aftertreatment system for treating exhaust gases exiting an engine, the system comprising:

a valve system having a valve input operatively coupled to the engine exhaust, a first valve output and having a second valve output;

a catalytic soot filter having a soot filter input operatively coupled to the valve system output and having a soot filter output;

an adsorber having an adsorber input operatively coupled to the soot filter output and having an adsorber output; [[and]]

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a bypass pathway having a bypass input operatively coupled to the second valve output and having a bypass output operatively coupled to the adsorber output; and

a sulfur trap having a sulfur trap input operatively coupled to the engine exhaust and having a sulfur trap output operatively coupled to the valve system input.

- 12. (Canceled)
- 13. (Original) The system of claim 11, further comprising:
- a diesel oxidation catalyst having a DOC input operatively coupled to the adsorber output and to the bypass output and having a DOC output.
- 14. (Original) The system of claim 11, further comprising:
 - a supply of fuel;
 - a pump having a pump inlet operatively coupled to the supply of fuel and having a pump outlet;
 - a fuel injector having an injector input operatively coupled to the pump outlet and having an injector output operatively coupled to the soot filter input.
- 15. (Original) The system of claim 14, further comprising:
 an igniter operatively coupled to the soot filter input.

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16. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 11, further comprising: An internal combustion engine aftertreatment system for treating exhaust gases exiting an engine, the system comprising:

a valve system having a valve input operatively coupled to the engine exhaust, a first valve output and having a second valve output;

a catalytic soot filter having a soot filter input operatively coupled to the valve system output and having a soot filter output;

an adsorber having an adsorber input operatively coupled to the soot filter output and having an adsorber output;

a bypass pathway having a bypass input operatively coupled to the second valve output and having a bypass output operatively coupled to the adsorber output; and

a temperature and lamda sensor having a sensor input operatively coupled to the valve system input.

17. (Original) The system of claim 11, further comprising:

an NOx sensor having an NOx sensor input operatively coupled to the adsorber output.

- 18. (Original) The system of claim 11, wherein the valve system comprises a proportional control 3-way valve.
- 19 (Currently Amended) An internal combustion engine aftertreatment system for treating exhaust gases exiting an engine, the system comprising:

Amendment Response Serial No. 10/651,055 Group Art Unit 3748 Atty. Docket No. 8317-18/FG-4476-CON Page 6 of 15 a valve system having a valve input operatively coupled to the engine exhaust, a first valve output and having a second valve output;

an adsorber having an adsorber input operatively coupled to the first valve output and having an adsorber output;

a bypass pathway having a bypass input operatively coupled to the second valve output and having a bypass output; [[and]]

a catalytic soot filter having a soot filter input operatively coupled to the adsorber output and the bypass output and having a soot filter output; and

a sulfur trap having a sulfur trap input operatively coupled to the engine exhaust and having a sulfur trap output operatively coupled to the valve system input.

20. (Canceled)

21. (Original) The system of claim 19, further comprising:

a supply of fuel;

a pump having a pump inlet operatively coupled to the supply of fuel and having a pump outlet;

a fuel injector having an injector input operatively coupled to the pump outlet and having an injector output operatively coupled to the adsorber input.

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- 22. (Original) The system of claim 21, further comprising: an igniter operatively coupled to the adsorber input.
- 23. (Original) The system of claim 19, further comprising:

a temperature and lamda sensor having a sensor input operatively coupled to the valve system input.

24. (Original) The system of claim 19, further comprising:

an NOx sensor having an NOx sensor input operatively coupled to the adsorber output.

- 25. (Original) The system of claim 19, wherein the valve system comprises a proportional control 3-way valve.
- 26. (Previously Presented) An internal combustion engine aftertreatment system for treating exhaust gases exiting an engine, the system comprising:

a catalytic soot filter having a soot filter input operatively coupled to the engine exhaust and having a soot filter output;

a sulfur trap having a sulfur trap input operatively coupled to the filter output and having a sulfur trap output;

a valve system having a valve input operatively coupled to the sulfur trap output, a first valve output and having a second valve output;

Amendment Response Serial No. 10/651,055 Group Art Unit 3748 Atty. Docket No. 8317-18/FG-4476-CON Page 8 of 15 an NOx adsorber having an adsorber input operatively coupled to the first valve output and having an adsorber output;

- a bypass pathway having a bypass input operatively coupled to the second valve output and having a bypass output operatively coupled to the adsorber output; and
- a diesel oxidation catalyst having a DOC input operatively coupled to the adsorber output and to the bypass output and having a DOC output.
- 27. (Original) The system of claim 26, further comprising:
 - a supply of fuel;
 - a pump having a pump inlet operatively coupled to the supply of fuel and having a pump outlet;
 - a fuel injector having an injector input operatively coupled to the pump outlet and having an injector output operatively coupled to the adsorber input.
- 28. (Original) The system of claim 27, further comprising:
 an igniter operatively coupled to the adsorber input.
- 29. (Original) The system of claim 26, further comprising:
- a temperature and lamda sensor having a sensor input operatively coupled to the valve system input.

Amendment Response Serial No. 10/651,055 Group Art Unit 3748 Atty. Docket No. 8317-18/FG-4476-CON Page 9 of 15 30. (Original) The system of claim 26, further comprising:

an NOx sensor having an NOx sensor input operatively coupled to the adsorber output.

- 31. (Original) The system of claim 26, wherein the valve system comprises a proportional control 3-way valve.
- 32. (New) An internal combustion engine aftertreatment system for treating exhaust gases exiting an engine, the system comprising:

a valve system having a valve input operatively coupled to the engine exhaust, a first valve output and having a second valve output;

a catalytic soot filter having a soot filter input operatively coupled to the valve system output and having a soot filter output;

an adsorber having an adsorber input operatively coupled to the soot filter output and having an adsorber output;

a bypass pathway having a bypass input operatively coupled to the second valve output and having a bypass output operatively coupled to the adsorber output; and

a diesel oxidation catalyst having a DOC input operatively coupled to the adsorber output and to the bypass output and having a DOC output.

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- 33. (New) The system of claim 32, further comprising:
 - a supply of fuel;
 - a pump having a pump inlet operatively coupled to the supply of fuel and having a pump outlet;
 - a fuel injector having an injector input operatively coupled to the pump outlet and having an injector output operatively coupled to the soot filter input.
- 34. (New) The system of claim 33, further comprising:
 an igniter operatively coupled to the soot filter input.
- 35. (New) The system of claim 32, further comprising:
- a temperature and lamda sensor having a sensor input operatively coupled to the valve system input.
- 36. (New) The system of claim 32, further comprising:

an NOx sensor having an NOx sensor input operatively coupled to the adsorber output.

37. (New) The system of claim 32, wherein the valve system comprises a proportional control 3-way valve.

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- 38. (New) An internal combustion engine aftertreatment system for treating exhaust gases exiting an engine, the system comprising:
- a valve system having a valve input operatively coupled to the engine exhaust, a first valve output and having a second valve output;
- an adsorber having an adsorber input operatively coupled to the first valve output and having an adsorber output;
- a bypass pathway having a bypass input operatively coupled to the second valve output and having a bypass output;
- a catalytic soot filter having a soot filter input operatively coupled to the adsorber output and the bypass output and having a soot filter output; and
- a temperature and lamda sensor having a sensor input operatively coupled to the valve system input.
- 39. (New) The system of claim 38, further comprising:
 - a supply of fuel;
 - a pump having a pump inlet operatively coupled to the supply of fuel and having a pump outlet; and
- a fuel injector having an injector input operatively coupled to the pump outlet and having an injector output operatively coupled to the adsorber input
- 40. (New) The system of claim 39, further comprising:

an igniter operatively coupled to the adsorber input.

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- 41. (New) The system of claim 38, further comprising:
- an NOx sensor having an NOx sensor input operatively coupled to the adsorber output.
- 42. (New) The system of claim 38, wherein the valve system comprises a proportional control 3-way valve.